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THE CHAMBER NEWS

SOUTH BALDWIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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ANNUAL GALA JANUARY 27 | 6PM-10PM FOLEY CIVIC CENTER

73rd Annual South Baldwin Chamber Silent Auction and Gala

Presented by Caldwell, Wenzel & Asthana P.C.

*Friday, January 27th
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
 Foley Civic Center*

\$50 per person

To purchase tickets, please visit our website at mylocalchamber.net, call 251.943.3291 or come by the office!

TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT LIES AHEAD...

The South Baldwin Chamber will have something for everyone in 2017. Here is a snapshot of the great community and member events that we will have this year.

- January 12, AM Connections
- January 27, Annual Gala
- February 23, Business After Hours, Paradise Marine
- March 10, Chamber Golf Classic
- March 18, BBQ & Blues Cook-Off
- March 23, Business After Hours, Trustmark Bank
- April 13, AM Connections
- April 27, Business After Hours, BancorpSouth
- May 4-7 Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival
- May 6, Color Dash,
- May 25, Business After Hours, Bryant Bank
- June 22, Business After Hours, Centennial Bank
- July 27, Business After Hours, Pen Air
- August 10, AM Connections
- August 24, Business After Hours, New Horizons
- September 28, Business After Hours, Nolan's
- October 5, Chicago Street Supper Club
- October 7, Festival of Flavor
- October 26, Business After Hours, Homecare Companions
- November 3, Night Glow Golf
- November 16, AM Connections, November 16
- November 21, Business After Hours, Alabama Credit Union
- December 12, Business After Hours, Courtyard Marriott

Eight Leadership Series and the Free Enterprise Luncheon will also be held during the year. Details of each event will be available on our website closer to each event. If you would like more details about an event, please call the office at 251.943.3291.

WELCOME TO THE STAFF KYLEE!

Raised near Foley, Kylee has a passion for events and a love for our community. As she is finishing up her Hospitality Administration Degree with an Event Planning concentration, she is a great addition to the Chamber staff as the Events Assistant. Kylee, her husband Chris and sons Payton and Rylee reside in Foley.



"Being a part of the South Baldwin Chamber is an opportunity for which I'm most grateful. I look forward to creating a deeper connection with our community through the events organized by the Chamber."

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Ms. Dot, who is soon to be 93 years old, first got involved volunteering with SBCC by invitation from an active volunteer and considers herself to be a professional volunteer. She has been volunteering for SBCC for 6 years and volunteered at a Birmingham hospital for 23 years. Ms. Dot says her favorite part of the volunteer experience is the opportunity to socialize with others and help out at the same time. Her motivation comes from making time for SBCC as a part of her regular routine. When asked what Ms. Dot's advice would be for first time volunteers, she stated she could not understand why anyone would not want to volunteer. "I love doing this, being around people, and sending out the mailings." Thank you Ms. Dot, for the help, the love and the inspiration!

THE YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS ACADEMY NEEDS YOU!!

Work one on one with students to teach them about running a business. Contact Gale Croft for more information at 251-943-5520.

- We are looking for:**
- guest speakers
 - fieldtrip hosts
 - business plan reviewers
 - mentors
- Save the Date:**
- CEO Roundtable, February 22, 5:30 pm
 - Investor Panel Presentation, April 5, 5:30pm
 - Graduation, May 23, 5:45pm

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JANUARY BUSINESS OF THE MONTH IS...

Congratulations to Live Oak Village located at 2300 N. Cedar St. in Foley, AL. Live Oak Village is a premier senior living campus designed to foster independence and wellness, offering both assisted living and independent living. Call them today, 251.943.6733!



Memorize this buzzword to bluff or bore your way through anything...**BLOCKCHAIN**: the software that drives Bitcoin transactions will work its way to mainstream to manage package deliveries and data transfers.

FREE PROMOTION?!? SURE!

The South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce and the Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival is proud to present Balloon Bucks! Purchasing a Balloon Bucks discount card allows shoppers to enjoy incredible discounts at participating retailers prior to and during the week of the Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival. Balloon Bucks event will be held from Friday, April 28 - Sunday, May 7.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Shoppers will purchase a discount card through the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce website, at the South Baldwin Chamber office, or through some of the participating merchants who are willing to help sell.
- Shoppers will receive the stores' offered discount during the shopping event dates: April 28 - May 7
- Participating merchants can customize their discount to best fit their business.

SHOPPING DISCOUNT CARD

10 DAYS APRIL 28 - MAY 7

DO IT FOR THE COMMUNITY
POWERED BY SOUTH BALDWIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The mission of this event is to drive customers right to your door! We will promote this event through this newsletter, the weekly email and radio ads! It is FREE to sign up and you choose your own discount! We hope to help you grow your business and we believe this is a perfect fit for you! For more information or to sign up your business as a participating merchant, call or email Kylee at 251.943.5590 or kylee@mylocalchamber.net.

73RD ANNUAL GALA AND SILENT AUCTION

Join us for a night under the stars at the 73rd Annual Gala and Silent Auction presented by Caldwell, Wenzel & Asthana, P.C. The event is slated for January 27, 2017. The evening will open with a silent auction at 6:00 pm which benefits the South Baldwin Chamber Foundation and our local schools. The auction will be a text to bid format. Dinner service begins at 6:00 pm. The live auction and program will begin with the closing of the silent auction at 7:00 pm. We look forward to highlighting some of South Baldwin County's accomplishments over the past year, as well as recognize the Diplomat of the Year, Volunteer of the Year and the Small Business of the Year. Be sure to get your tickets before time runs out! You can purchase tickets by visiting our website, mylocalchamber.net, stopping by the office or calling 251.943.3291.

The Gala is also sponsored by South Baldwin Regional Medical Center, OWA, Wolf Bay Lodge, City of Foley, Riviera Utilities, Columbia Southern University, UTC Aerospace and DynISys, Inc. Thank you for your support of the South Baldwin Chamber.

The Silent Auction will be open 2 weeks prior to the event on January 13. Be on the look out on our FaceBook page to get updates on how to bid as well as spotlights on some of our items. All proceeds of the auction benefit the South Baldwin Chamber Foundation programs, such as Student Teacher Grants, YEA! and Junior Ambassadors. Happy Bidding!

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